

Senate bill No. 42 was taken up and the Assembly amendments concurred in.

The following bills and resolutions were taken up, read the first time and referred.

Assembly joint resolution No. 94 to Committee on Education.

Assembly joint resolution No. 95, to Committee on State Affairs.

On motion, Senate bill No. 51 was taken up, under a suspension of the rules, on its third reading, read the third time, and passed with the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradwell, Jenkins, Katzenberg, Knight, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, Pearce, and Purman—9.

Nays—Messrs. Atkins, Crawford, McCaskill, Weeks, and Wood—5.

The President *pro tempore* announced the signing of the following enrolled bills.

An Act relating to Seals of Courts and Clerks.

An Act to provide an office for the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

An Act to provide for the enforcement of Section VI, Ordinance IX., of the Constitutional Convention.

An Act to organize the County Court.

An Act fixing the times for holding the Circuit Court.

On motion, the vote by which leave of absence was granted to Mr. Alden and Mr. Weeks was rescinded.

On motion, an order was given the Sergeant-at-Arms, signed by the President and countersigned by the Secretary, to arrest the person of Mr. Alden, the Senator from the First District, and bring him to the bar of the Senate, to answer the charge of contempt of the Senate.

On motion, a committee of three was appointed to investigate the cases of the various absentees, and report to the Senate as soon as possible, whether they were in contempt of the Senate.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Meacham, Knight, and Weeks on the committee.

The Sergeant-at-Arms reported that Mr. Alden was *non est inventus*.

TUESDAY, August 4th, 1868.

The hour of twelve, midnight, having passed, the Senate bill No. 83 was taken up on motion, read the third time, and passed with the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradwell, Goss, Jenkins, Katzenberg, Knight, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, Pearce, and Purman—10.

Nays—Messrs. Atkins, Crawford, Davis, McCaskill, Weeks, and Wood—6.

On motion of Mr. Knight, it was ordered that no dilatory motion be entertained pending action on this bill.

Senate bill No. 82 was taken up, read the third time, and passed with the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradwell, Goss, Jenkins, Katzenberg, Knight, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, Pearce, Purman, and Smith—11.

Nays—Messrs. Atkins, Crawford, Davis, McCaskill, Weeks, and Wood—6.

On motion, the Senate adjourned till ten o'clock this A. M.

TEN O'CLOCK, A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President *pro tempore* in the chair.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

A quorum present.

The journal corrected and approved, the reading having been dispensed with.

On motion, Senate bill No. 81 was taken up, and read the third time.

Mr. McCaskill moved its indefinite postponement.

On a motion to lay this motion on the table, the yeas and nays were demanded, with the following result:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Alden, Bradwell, Goss, Katzenberg, Knight, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, and Pearce—10.

Nays—Messrs. Crawford, Davis, Ginn, McCaskill, Weeks, and Wood—6.

So the motion lay on the table.

Mr. McCaskill moved to lay the bill on the table, which was lost by the following vote, the yeas and nays being demanded:

Yeas—Messrs. Atkins, Crawford, Davis, Ginn, McCaskill, Weeks, and Wood—7.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Alden, Bradwell, Goss, Katzenberg, Knight, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, and Pearce—10.

Mr. Meacham moved that no dilatory motion be entertained during the morning session; the yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion carried by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Alden, Bradwell, Goss, Katzenberg, Knight, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, and Pearce—9.

Nays—Messrs. Atkins, Crawford, Davis, Ginn, McCaskill, Weeks, and Wood—7.

On motion of Mr. Knight, it was ordered that debate be lim-

ited to five minutes, and no Senator be allowed to speak but once on a question during this morning's session.

The vote on the final passage of the bill was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Alden, Bradwell, Goss, Katzenberg, Knight, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, and Pearce—10.

Nays—Messrs. Atkins, Crawford, Davis, Ginn, McCaskill, Weeks, and Wood—7.

So the bill passed.

A message was received from the Governor, through his private secretary, informing the Senate that he had signed Senate bill "To Incorporate the Jacksonville and St. Augustine Railroad Company."

The following reports were received from committees:

The Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred "A joint resolution petitioning Congress for an appropriation for the removal of the obstructions in Apalachicola river at Moccasins Shuice," beg leave to report, and recommend its passage.

C. R. MOBLEY,
Chairman Committee.

The bill was placed on the general file.

TO THE SENATE:

The Committee on Corporations has been compelled, through the pressure of business before them, to employ a clerk; the many private acts needing revision and re-writing, and the cumbersome accumulation of papers incident to the examination of subjects referred to them, have made it necessary to employ clerical assistance. The committee therefore ask to be allowed a clerk.

HORATIO JENKINS, JR.,
Chairman.

August 3d, 1868.

The request of the committee was allowed.

We, the committee to whom was referred the bill, No. 55, for the establishment of a Ferry at the Cross Prairie, Orange County, have had the same under consideration, and respectfully recommend the adoption of the same.

C. R. MOBLEY,
Chairman Committee Finance and Taxation.

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Aug. 4, 1868. }

The Committee on Enrolled Bills beg leave to report as correctly enrolled the following:

Bill No. 45, to incorporate the Apalachicola Channel Company.

Bill No. 49, to provide for the Election of a Public Printer.

D. DAVIS,
Chairman Committee Enrolled Bills.

The President *pro tem.* signed the bills.

The committee, to whom was referred a joint resolution of the Senate and Assembly, No. 94, have had the same under consideration, and respectfully recommend the adoption of the same.

C. H. PEARCE,
ARTHUR GINN,
J. M. UNDERWOOD.

The bill was placed on the general file.

The Committee on Legislative Expenditures, to whom was referred House bill, No. 90, entitled An Act to provide for the Payment of Members, Officers and Employees, and other Expenses of the first Legislature held under the revised Constitution of the State of Florida, return the same, and recommend that it be passed.

J. H. Goss,
Chairman Committee on Legislative Expenses.

Aug. 4th, 1868.

The bill was taken up and read the second time.

The Committee on Legislative Expenditures, to whom was referred House bill, No. 86, entitled An Act to authorize the Commissioner of Immigration to employ a Clerk, and to be allowed for all necessary expenses, would return the same, and recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

J. H. Goss,
Chairman of Committee on Legislative Expenditures.

Aug. 4th, 1868.

The report was adopted.

The Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred House resolution, No. 95, respectfully recommend that it do pass.

S. KATZENBERG,
Chairman Committee State Affairs.

The bill was placed on the file.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Aug. 4, 1868. }

The Committee on Enrolled Bills beg leave to report as correctly enrolled the following:

Bill No. 42, to raise additional Revenue for the State;
D. DAVIS,
Chairman Committee Enrolled Bills.

The President *pro tempore* signed the bill, and also An Act to incorporate the Withlacoochee and Lake Pansoffka Canal and Steamboat Company.

TO THE SENATE:

The committee to whom was referred Senate bill, No. 60, beg leave to report the following as a substitute. They hope that the substitute will be adopted, as the adoption of the substitute will save several thousand dollars, and will meet the wants of the State.

C. R. MOBLEY,

Chairman Committee on Code of Practice.

The substitute was adopted, read second and third times under a suspension of the rules, and passed, with the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Alden, Atkins, Bradwell, Crawford, Davidson, Davis, Ginn, Katzenberg, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, Pearce, and Underwood—13.

Nays—None.

Mr. Purman on leave introduced a bill to be entitled An Act to revive an Ordinance of the Constitutional Convention, entitled An Ordinance to inquire into the condition of the Union Bank of Florida; which was read the first time.

Mr. Davis on leave introduced a bill to be entitled An Act to create and organize the County of De Soto; which was read the first time under a suspension of the rules and referred to Committee on City and County Organizations.

Senate joint resolution, No. 22, was taken up and postponed till to-morrow.

Senate joint resolution, No. 23, was taken up, read third time, and passed, with the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Alden, Bradwell, Goss, Katzenberg, Knight, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, and Pearce—9.

Nays—Messrs. Atkins, Crawford, Davis, Ginn, Weeks, and Wood—6.

Senate bill, No. 5, was taken up and indefinitely postponed.

Senate bill, No. 41, taken up, read third time and passed with the following vote:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Alden, Atkins, Bradwell, Crawford, Goss, Ginn, Katzenberg, Knight, Meacham, Mobley, Pearce, Purman, and Underwood—14.

Nays—Messrs. Davis, McCaskill, and Wood—3.

Assembly resolution, No. 66, was taken up, read third time, and passed, with following vote:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Alden, Atkins, Bradwell, Crawford, Ginn, Katzenberg, Knight, Meacham, Mobley, Purman, Underwood, and Wood—13.

Nays—None.

Assembly bill, No. 73, was taken up, read third time, and passed with the following vote:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Alden, Atkins, Bradwell, Crawford, Davis, Ginn, Katzenberg, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, McCaskill, Pearce, Purman, Underwood, Weeks, and Wood—17.

Nays—None.

Assembly bill, No. 78, was taken up, read third time, and passed with the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradwell, Crawford, Davidson, Davis, Ginn, Katzenberg, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, McCaskill, Pearce, Purman, and Underwood—13.

Nays—None.

Senate bill, No. 78, was taken up, read third time, and passed with the following vote:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bradwell, Crawford, Davidson, Davis, Ginn, Katzenberg, Knight, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, Pearce, and Purman—13.

Nays—McCaskill, Underwood, and Weeks—3.

Assembly bill, No. 91, was taken up, read third time, and passed with the following vote:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bradwell, Crawford, Davidson, Ginn, Katzenberg, Knight, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, Pearce, Purman, and Underwood—13.

Nays—Messrs. Davis, McCaskill, and Weeks—3.

Assembly bill No. 64 was taken up, read second time by title, under suspension of the rules, read third time, under a suspension of the rules, and passed with the following vote:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Crawford, Davidson, Davis, Ginn, Katzenberg, Knight, Krimminger, Meacham, McCaskill, Pearce, Purman, Underwood, and Weeks—14.

Nays—None.

On motion of Mr. Alden, the vote by which Senate bill No. 5 was indefinitely postponed was reconsidered, and the bill taken up on its third reading.

On motion of Mr. Alden a call of the House was ordered. Several Senators having come in, on motion, the call of the House was dispensed with.

The bill was read the third time, and passed with following vote:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Alden, Atkins, Bradwell, Crawford, Davidson, Davis, Ginn, Katzenberg, Knight, Krimminger, Mobley, McCaskill, Pearce, Purman, Underwood, and Weeks—17.

Nay—Mr. Meacham—1.

Mr. Alden moved to reconsider this vote, and moved to lay the motion to reconsider on the table; which was agreed to.

On motion, the rules were suspended, and Senate bill, No. 85,

was read the second and third times, and put upon its passage by the following vote, the yeas and nays being demanded:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Alden, Bradwell, Crawford, Davidson, Katzenberg, Knight, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, Pearce, and Purman—12.

Nays—Messrs. Atkins, Davis, Ginn, and Weeks—4.

The vote on the final passage was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Alden, Bradwell, Davidson, Katzenberg, Knight, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, Pearce, and Purman—11.

Nays—Messrs. Atkins, Crawford, Davis, Ginn, and Weeks—5.

So the bill passed.

On motion, the Senate took a recess till 4 o'clock P. M.

FOUR O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate resumed its session, the President *pro tempore* in the chair.

The Chair announced that there was not a quorum.

On motion, a call of the House was ordered; several Senators coming in, and a quorum appearing, the call of the House was, on motion, dispensed with.

Assembly joint resolution No. 94 was taken up, and read the second time.

Assembly joint resolution No. 95 was taken up, and read the second time.

The following reports of committees were received:

SENATE CHAMBER,
August 4th, 1868. }

The committee to whom was referred Senate bill No. 86, for the creation of a new county, to be called De Soto, report the same back, and recommend it pass. A. A. KNIGHT,

Chairman Committee on City and County Organizations.

The bill was taken up, read second and third times, under suspension of the rules, and passed with the following unanimous vote:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Atkins, Bradwell, Crawford, Davidson, Davis, Ginn, Katzenberg, Knight, Krimminger, Meacham, McCaskill, Pearce, Purman, Underwood, Weeks, and Wood—17.

Nays—None.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED BILLS

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have examined the follow-

ing bill, and find it correctly engrossed, viz.: Senate bill, No. 21, a bill entitled "An Act regulating Telegraph Companies."

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. A. DAVIDSON, Chairman.

The bill was taken up, read the third time, and passed with the following vote:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Alden, Bradwell, Crawford, Goss, Ginn, Katzenberg, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, Pearce, and Purman—12.

Nays—Messrs. Atkins, McCaskill, and Wood—3.

The following message was received from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL,
Tallahassee, Fla., August 4, 1868. }

HON. W. H. GLEASON, President of the Senate:

SIR: The Assembly has passed substitute for Senate bill, No. 4, to be entitled An Act to provide for the Registration of Electors and holding of Elections.

Assembly bill, No. 96, to be entitled An Act to prescribe the Duties of State Attorneys.

Also:

Assembly bill, No. 92, to be entitled An Act the better to provide for and Secure the Protection to Life, Liberty, and Property in the State of Florida.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Clerk of the Assembly.

The accompanying Assembly bill, No. 92, was taken up and read the first time. On motion, the rules were suspended by the following vote, and the bill read the second time by title, the yeas and nays being demanded:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Alden, Bradwell, Davidson, Ginn, Katzenberg, Knight, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, Pearce, Purman, and Underwood—13.

Nays—Messrs. Atkins, Crawford, Davis, McCaskill, Weeks, and Wood—6.

On a motion to suspend the rules in order to read the bill the third time, the yeas and nays were demanded and the motion lost by the following vote, less than two-thirds voting affirmatively:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Alden, Bradwell, Davidson, Goss, Katzenberg, Knight, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, Pearce, Purman, and Underwood—13.

Nays—Messrs. Atkins, Crawford, Davis, Ginn, McCaskill, Weeks, and Wood—7.

Assembly bill, No. 96, was taken up, read first, second, and third times under a suspension of the rules, and passed with the following vote:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Atkins, Bradwell, Crawford, Davidson, Goss, Ginn, Knight, Krimminger, Mobley, Pearce, and Underwood—12.

Nays—Messrs. Davis, McCaskill, Weeks, and Wood—4.

The Senate bill No. $\frac{1}{2}$ accompanying was ordered enrolled.

Also, the following message:

ASSEMBLY HALL,
Tallahassee, Fla., Aug. 4th, 1868. }

HON. W. H. GLEASON, President of the Senate:

SIR: The Assembly has passed Senate bill No. 83, to be entitled An Act to provide for holding of an Election for a Representative in Congress.

Also:

Passed Assembly resolution No. 97, declaratory, to whom the money in the State Treasury shall be paid, and respectfully ask the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Clerk of the Senate.

The accompanying joint resolution No. 97 was taken up, read first, second, and third times under a suspension of the rules, and passed with the following vote:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Alden, Bradwell, Crawford, Davidson, Davis, Goss, Ginn, Katzenberg, Knight, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, McCaskill, Pearce, Underwood, Weeks, and Wood—18.

Nays—None.

Senate bill No. 83 was taken up and ordered enrolled.

On motion, the Senate went into executive session.

The following message was received from the Governor:

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Tallahassee, Fla., Aug. 4, 1868. }

TO THE SENATE:

I hereby nominate George B. Carse to be Adjutant-General.

Very respectfully, &c.,

HARRISON REED, Governor.

On motion, the rules were suspended and the above message taken up, and George B. Carse was confirmed to be Adjutant-General.

On motion, the doors were opened, and the Senate adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, August 5th, 1868.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President *pro tempore* in the chair.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The journal was corrected and approved, the reading being dispensed with.

The following reports of committees were received:

TO THE SENATE:

The Committee on Corporation to whom was referred Assembly bill, No. 72, for the Incorporation of the Wekiva Steamboat Company, beg leave to report the same and recommend that it pass, with the following amendment: Strike out the last clause and insert the following: That said Wekiva Steamboat Company shall have the power to collect a tax on all vessels navigating said Wekiva River to Clay Springs, of five dollars a trip, and an additional tax of one dollar a ton on each vessel so navigating.

C. R. MOBLEY,
Chairman Committee.

The report was adopted; the rules were waived, the bill read the second time by title, read the third time by section, and passed, with the following vote:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Alden, Bradwell, Crawford, Davidson, Ginn, Krimminger, Meacham, Mobley, McCaskill, Pearce, and Weeks—13.

Nays—None.

SENATE CHAMBER,
August 5, 1868. }

The Committee on Enrolled Bills beg leave to report as correctly enrolled the following:

Bill, No. 71. An Act for the Punishment of Crimes and Proceedings in Criminal Cases.

Bill, No. 83. An Act to provide for Holding an Election for a Representative in Congress.

D. DAVIS,
Chairman Committee Enrolled Bills.

The President *pro tempore* signed the accompanying bills:

TO THE SENATE:

The Committee on Corporations to whom was referred the following petitions, memorials, and bills, beg leave to be relieved from the further consideration of them, for the want of time:

The petition of Henry Teasdale, and others.

The memorial of Pilots' Associations of Pensacola.

Assembly bill, No. 82.